

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF AIR QUALITY PLANNING AND STANDARDS

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Mr. Jasper Titus Director of Environmental Health and Safety Medline Industries, Inc. 3 Lakes Drive Northfield, IL 60093

Dear Mr. Titus:

Pursuant to section 114 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is collecting information related to hazardous air pollutant emissions at ethylene oxide (EtO) commercial sterilization facilities to inform its review of the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for this sector. As part of this effort, the EPA requires your assistance in providing information related to these emissions. If Medline Industries, Inc. has previously provided information, the EPA appreciates your cooperation. However, in order to support an effective rulemaking, more information will be required

We are requesting information regarding EtO commercial sterilization operations at the facilities specifically listed below and wholly owned by Medline Industries, Inc., as well as any EtO commercial sterilization facilities wholly owned by Medline Industries, Inc. that are not included on this list:

Facility	Street Address	City	State
Centurion Medical Products	3310 South Main Street	Salisbury	NC
Centurion Medical Products	301 Catrell Drive	Howell	MI
Medline	1160 South Northpoint Boulevard	Waukegan	IL
Centurion Medical Products	3173 East 43rd Street	Yuma	AZ

The request is a survey in Microsoft® Excel format. We request that you complete and return the survey by February 6, 2020. Please download the spreadsheet and Instructions Document at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/ethylene-oxide-emissions-standards-sterilization-facilities">https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/ethylene-oxide-emissions-standards-sterilization-facilities</a>. If there is a facility on this list not wholly owned by Medline Industries, Inc., please indicate that in the response letter. A completed survey is not required for that facility.

This section 114 request is designed to collect information on emissions from EtO sterilization operations, including sterilization chamber vents, aeration room vents, chamber exhaust vents, and fugitive emissions<sup>1</sup> at the facilities. The Instructions Document contains a summary of the instructions for completing and submitting responses to this survey request.

The survey request is designed to collect emissions information, which by law cannot be confidential business information (CBI). Submit the requested information to the EPA according to the instructions provided in Section 4 of the Instructions Document. You are required to return all requested information to the EPA on or before the schedule due date specified in this letter.

Supplemental information is contained in the following enclosures:

Description	Enclosure #
EPA's Information Gathering Authority Under Section 114 of the Clean Air Act	Enclosure 1
Disclosure of Emissions Data Claimed as Confidential Under Sections 110 and 114(c) of the Clean Air Act	
Summary of Procedures for Safeguarding Clean Air Act Confidential Business Information	
Designation of RTI International as Authorized Representative	

This request is one step in an established public process for collecting foundational information as part of NESHAP reviews. The public and stakeholders will continue to have an opportunity to comment on the EtO commercial sterilization NESHAP review in the future, including a formal notice-and-comment period on any proposed action.

If you have questions regarding this survey, please contact Jonathan Witt in the EPA's Fuels and Incineration Group at 919-541-5645 or witt.jon@epa.gov.

Thank you for your assistance in this effort. The data will provide comprehensive information about the EtO commercial sterilization source category, which will lead to more effective rulemaking.

Sincerely,

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4 Enclosures

Defined as emissions of EtO which are not routed through the existing control equipment

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